

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-73 (Canceled).

Claim 74. (New) An airbag door system having an airbag door portion and a trim member portion, said airbag door system comprising:

a substrate comprising a substrate upper surface, a substrate lower surface, a substrate thickness and a substrate line of mechanical weakness, said substrate line of mechanical weakness comprising at least one substrate aperture at least partially separating said substrate into an airbag door substrate portion and a trim member substrate portion;

an outer shell comprising an outer shell upper surface, an outer shell lower surface, an outer shell thickness and an outer shell line of mechanical weakness, said outer shell line of mechanical weakness comprising an outer shell reduced thickness portion defined by an outer shell sever extending partially through said outer shell thickness from said outer shell lower surface towards said outer shell upper surface, said outer shell line of mechanical weakness at least partially separating said outer shell into an airbag door outer shell portion and a trim member outer shell portion;

a foam disposed between said substrate and said outer shell

said outer shell line of mechanical weakness comprising a line of mechanical weakness being laterally displaced by at least 3.0 millimeter relative to said substrate line of mechanical weakness; wherein said outer shell sever comprises first and second outer shell sever surfaces,

said outer shell sever sufficiently narrow such that at least a portion of said first and second outer shell sever surfaces are in direct contact with one another after said outer shell sever is formed; and

wherein said substrate line of mechanical weakness is closed to substantially prevent said foam from penetrating through said at least one substrate aperture.

Claim 75. (New) The airbag door system of claim 74 wherein said substrate line of mechanical weakness is closed by any one or a combination of tape, polymer film, paper and textiles.

Claim 76. (New) An airbag door system having an airbag door portion and a trim member portion, said airbag door system comprising:

a substrate comprising a substrate upper surface, a substrate lower surface, a substrate thickness and a substrate line of mechanical weakness, said substrate line of mechanical weakness comprising at least one substrate aperture at least partially separating said substrate into an airbag door substrate portion and a trim member substrate portion;

an outer shell comprising an outer shell upper surface, an outer shell lower surface, an outer shell thickness and an outer shell line of mechanical weakness, said outer shell line of mechanical weakness comprising an outer shell reduced thickness portion defined by an outer shell sever extending partially through said outer shell thickness from said outer shell lower surface towards said outer shell upper surface, said outer shell line of mechanical weakness at least partially separating said outer shell into an airbag door shell portion and a trim member outer shell portion;

a foam disposed between said substrate and said outer shell;

said outer shell sever at said outer shell lower surface in direct contact with said foam upper surface wherein said outer shell sever comprises first and second outer shell sever surfaces such that at least a portion of said first and second outer shell sever surfaces are in contact with one another after said outer shell sever is formed; and

wherein said substrate line of mechanical weakness is closed to substantially prevent said foam from penetrating through said at least one substrate aperture.

Claim 77: (New) The airbag door system of claim 76 wherein said substrate line of mechanical weakness is at least closed by any one or a combination of tape, polymer film, paper and textiles.